

STRIKE OF CABMEN KEEPS OTHERS BUSY.

Independent Owners Reap a Rich Harvest from the Trouble.

Unable to Fill All the Calls Made Upon Them for Services.

Strikers Say They Will Stay Out Until They Win Their Point.

EMPLOYERS ARE FIRM IN REFUSING.

Say That Their Men Must Be Willing to Work Overtime Without Pay if They Are Needed.

Since 2 o'clock Friday morning, when the Liberty Dawn Association declared a strike at the various stables of the New York Cab Company, business has been booming at the other establishments, and the cabmen who stand around corners with their own rigs have had about as much as they can do. The strike was ordered as a result of too much "squeezing" of the men. When a cabman is made to work more than fourteen hours a day he says he is "squeezed," and he usually lets his employers know it in an emphatic and cabmanlike way. Men at the New York Cab Company's places numbered 300, and they figured that when one hour a day was "squeezed" out of them it meant that the company was ahead 1,400 hours in the week at the expense of their horny hands and empty stomachs. In a month the company was ahead 6,000 hours and in a year 72,000 hours. On an average of \$1 an hour, which a cab earns, \$72,000 worth of extra work was thus "squeezed" out of the cabbies in a year.

Complaints Were Ineffective. Individual complaints were ineffective and so the present combined one was made. There seems to be no immediate chance of the strike being brought to a close, as the cabmen got together yesterday and came to the determination that they could hold out for four months at the least.

Here is what they want the cab company to concede: First, that all non-union men, now employed by the New York Cab Company be discharged and only union men be employed hereafter. Second, that each employee in his turn have a night off, from 6 o'clock p. m., to 6 o'clock a. m.

Third, that time be allowed the drivers for two meals a day. Fourth, that each man have a Sunday night off in his turn, in addition to his other night off. Fifth, that each driver have ten hours rest after going on duty.

While the strikers have decided to stay out until all these requests are granted, the cab company is equally stubborn and will not take the men back on such terms. General Manager Heffernan said that he would follow the directions of the Board of Directors, which were to disregard the demands of the strikers.

"We can hold out as long as we can," he said, "and do not mean to be dictated to by them. We will simply wait until they come back." Heffernan had been waiting on during the morning by a delegation from the Liberty Dawn Association, and had so expressed himself to them.

Troubles of the "Cabbies." Some of the cabmen complain that they frequently were obliged to go without sleep for twenty hours and in some instances were not given time to eat one meal in twenty-four hours. The association made an attempt to regulate this, but found that the company was hiring non-union men, who did not object to continual "squeezing."

Yesterday the six stables of the company located at No. 118 West Thirty-second street, No. 2 West Forty-fifth street, No. 221 West Fifty-third street, No. 21 East Twelfth street, No. 5 East Fifty-eighth street and No. 201 West Seventy-fifth street, were all closed, and the cabbies lying idle. The strikers had pickets at the stables to persuade men not to work, but they gave the extra policemen on duty no trouble. In the meantime, the swell clubs of New York and many private families, were waiting the city for cabs and found it in vain. Indeed, the New York Cab Company supplies the Union, Metropolitan, Lotus, Harvard, St. Nicholas, Colonial, Harmonic, and many other clubs and lawyers. Clubs under contract, and is also under contract to many aristocratic shoppers. The Metropolitan Club had special ensembles out throughout the day, with orders to bring in cabs by the half dozen. The superintendent had made a vain endeavor to contract with the strikers, but they refused to do so. The latter, however, did not want to incur the displeasure of the Liberty Dawn Association, and the answer was made to the management of the Lotus and several other clubs. Most of the club members preferred walking to a long wait for conveyance, and before the strike so many finely groomed women seen plodding over snowy streets in the shopping districts. No cabs could be seen on any part of the city, and the individual cab owner was happy with increased Christmas and New Year business.

Allan Lexow, a director of the New York Cab Company, said that an endeavor would be made to-morrow to open some of the stables with drivers willing to go to work.

PROVED HIMSELF ALIVE.

Robert Mason Returned Home After Thirty Years and Married at the Age of Sixty.

Robert Mason, now over sixty years old, left his home in Peekskill thirty years ago, and went West. His family lost all track of him and finally thought he was dead.

On September 7 last Mason astonished his surviving relatives by appearing in the town. He met his brother on the street near the railroad station and recognized him at once, although he has not seen him since he left home and came to New York. When Mason called on his sister, Eliza Lent, an aged woman, living on Brown street, she recognized his voice from an adjoining room, and calling him to her, greeted him affectionately. He told his sister that he had accumulated a fortune while in the West and that he was now in Sprague, Washington. He said that he owned several large ranches in different States.

During his stay in Peekskill Mason made the acquaintance of Miss Maria Vredenburg, the daughter of Henry Vredenburg, of Roseton, N. Y., and he and she, who were both married, fell in love with her at first sight. His love was returned, and in a few days the couple were engaged. The wedding was set for February next.

Mr. Mason then returned West. Last Saturday he surprised his Peekskill friends by calling on them and announcing that he was to be married on the following day at the Reformed Church, Montrose, after the morning service. Accordingly, on Sunday morning last, after the service, the Rev. Henry Smith, the pastor of the church, in the presence of the relatives and friends of Mr. Mason and Miss Vredenburg, tied the nuptial knot that made them man and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Mason departed for this city in the afternoon to take a train for the West.

GERRY CONQUERED BY LITTLE HUBERMAN

Mayor Strong Permits the Young Violinist to Play To-night.

Commodore Did Not Want the Boy to Appear at the Metropolitan.

Invoked the Penal Code, but the Mayor Was Persuaded to Ignore His Protest.

MAY PLAY ONLY TWENTY MINUTES.

Edward Lauterbach, Aided by Mr. Grau and Herr Conrad, Pleaded for the Youthful Virtuoso and Wins.

Bronslaw Huberman, the boy violin virtuoso, will appear at the Metropolitan Opera House to-night in a concert, to

agree that he shall not be on the stage more than twenty minutes, and that he shall not be kept up after 10 o'clock," said Mayor Strong. "But, as regards presentation under the penal code for giving a sacred concert on Sunday, you gentlemen will have to take the chance on that yourselves. I'm not at all certain that the city isn't right about that law."

"Thank you, Your Honor; we'll take the chance," said Messrs. Lauterbach, Grau and Conrad.

THESE BURGLARS BOAST.

Two Young Fellows Claim to Have Robbed One Hundred Harlem Houses.

Policeman Manning, of the East One Hundred and Fourth Street Station, was sauntering along One Hundred and Sixth street, near Fifth avenue at 8 o'clock yesterday morning when a hatless and coatless man ran up to him and ejaculated: "Burglars! Burglars!" "Where?" asked Manning. "In the basement—No. 37 East One Hundred and Sixth street," said the man between gasps for breath. The policeman hurried to the address, found the basement door open and walked in. He saw two youths at work. One held a candle, while the other was trying to pry open a storeroom. "Hello!" said the policeman. Both of the young men looked around in surprise. "House the gitt!" said the one trying to open the door. The boy with the candle blew out the light. Then a scramble ensued. Manning tried to capture one of them in the dark, but failed. They both reached the street with the policeman in pursuit. Manning, in his vehicle, and Policeman Wade responded. Wade caught

"BOB" HILLIARD WANTS TO FIGHT.

Sends a Written Challenge to His Leading Lady's Husband.

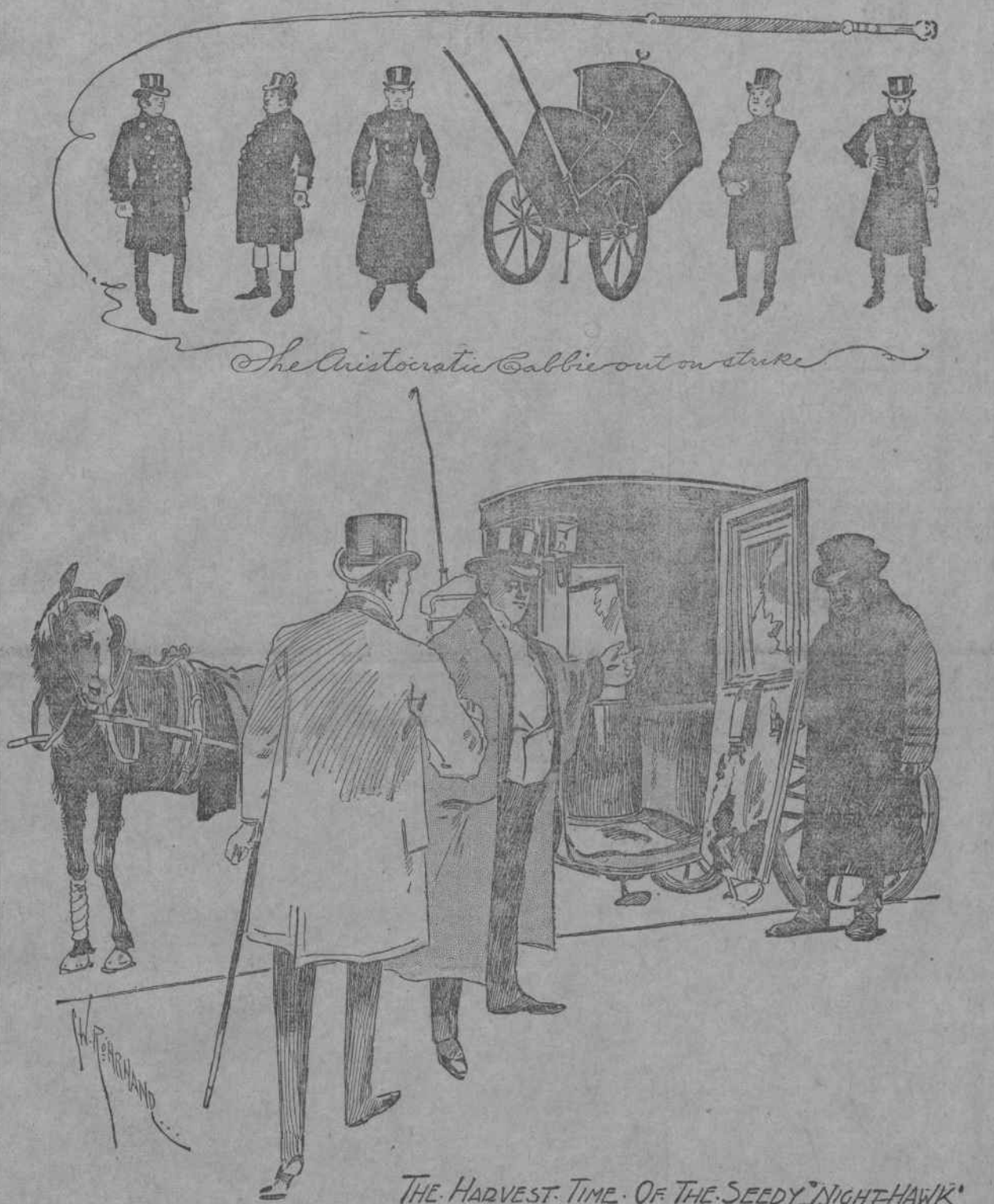
Feels Aggrieved by the Published Accounts of His Latest "Scrap."

His Vanity Hurt by the Assumption That Any Living Man Should Be Able to "Land on His Nose."

DARES BINGHAM TO TRY IT OVER AGAIN.

Invites Him to Come Around and Settle for Good the Question as to Which Is the Better Man.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 19.—When "Bob" Hilliard and Lloyd Bingham, the husband of Hilliard's leading lady, meet again there



THE HARVEST TIME OF THE SEEDY NIGHTHAWK

which M. Pol Piancon, Mme. Sophie Trauhmann, Mme. Mantell, Herr Anton Seld and Herr Louis Saar will also contribute their artistic services. Art and law had a United round contest with Mayor Strong as referee yesterday morning, and Art, represented by M. Maurice Grau and Herr Heinrich Conrad, triumphed over Law as championed by Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry.

Little Huberman, who is only ten or twelve years old, appeared in several concerts at Carnegie Music Hall recently, and society went wild over his violin playing. It was decided to give a grand sacred concert at the Metropolitan Opera House, in which young Huberman should appear in conjunction with some of the very brightest stars of the Italian opera. This concert was announced to take place to-night.

But Commodore Gerry, the bogie man of "infant prodigies," learning that the boy was under sixteen years of age, thought that his appearance at the Metropolitan on a Sunday night would be an immoral spectacle, and wrote to Mayor Strong protesting against it.

Mr. Grau and Herr Conrad called in Mr. Edward Lauterbach, who as everybody knows, is a director of the Metropolitan Opera House as well as a legal and political power, and asked his advice. "When Mayor Strong decided to hear the mooted question argued by all the parties to it yesterday morning, Mr. Lauterbach accompanied by Grau and Herr Conrad to the City Hall. Commodore Gerry did not appear himself. He had stated his case in a letter."

"This claim that Huberman's entertainment comes under the head of theatrical performances is comprehended in section 209 of the penal code is the sheer nonsense, Your Honor," said Mr. Lauterbach, in a deprecating tone. "This boy is a violin virtuoso, a Frank. He is a very great artist. He is the wonder and idol of all Paris."

"All Paris?" put in M. Grau. "And Berlin!" echoed Herr Conrad. "The privilege to accompany Calve and Melba is the very highest honor that could be conferred upon a boy of his years," said Mr. Lauterbach. "There are no grounds whatever for Mr. Gerry's objection to his appearing at this concert." "Gerry's not very much mistaken about that law," said his Honor sotto voce. "He's right, but this boy is on the stage if I let him appear," continued the Mayor. "Oh—not over fifteen minutes!" said Mr. Lauterbach, quickly. "Certainly, not so long," put in M. Grau; "not ten minutes, eh, Conrad?" "Not over twelve, even with the encores," said Herr Conrad convincingly. "Well, I'll sign the license if you will

one of the men. The other dashed up One Hundred and Sixth street toward Central Park, with Manning after him. The fugitive entered the Park, and struck a hill. The policeman is stout and inclined to obesity. The youth was gaining on him in ascending the hill, and the policeman saw that something had to be done at once. He drew his revolver.

"Stop!" he shouted. The man stopped, and Manning, perspiring and breathless, wobbled up to him and put him under arrest. The two prisoners, at the station house gave their names as Charles Taylor, nineteen, of No. 2250 Fifth avenue, and Joseph C. Day, eighteen, of No. 224 Fifth avenue.

Day, upon being closely questioned by Captain Moynihan, confessed that he and his pal Taylor, had robbed almost a hundred houses and had got away.

"Our booty has been principally tools and clothing," said the young man. The two prisoners were arraigned in the Harlem Court, yesterday, before Magistrate Simms, and were remanded until Monday, in order to allow the police to work up evidence against them. The prisoners were poorly dressed and did not seem to mind their capture. The police think that they have been engaged in several burglaries, but do not believe that they have operated so extensively as they claim.

Captain George Lemon Dead.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Captain George Lemon, of this city, died at Coronado, Cal., yesterday. He was born in New York State nearly fifty years ago. Captain Lemon rendered gallant service in the army. After the war he opened a pension agency, which developed into the most extensive institution of its kind in the country and yielded him a fortune estimated at over a million dollars. He was the proprietor of the soldiers' paper, the National Tribune. It was to Byron Andrews, editor of that paper, that General Lemon wrote the letter explanatory of his reasons for assassinating President Garfield.

Mrs. Lense to Lecture To-night.

Mary Elizabeth Lense will deliver a lecture on "Infant and Childhood" at the Columbus Theatre, in Harlem, to-night. Preceding her discourse, Grace Golden, Prace Paquet and several other entertainers of note will render Irish ballads as a sort of introductory to the theme. The affair, which is given by the Stuyvesant Democratic Club, is under the personal direction of Thomas W. Churchill, and under his able management its success seems assured.

Five Wipes Out a Family.

Sheffield, O., Dec. 19.—P. A. A. and his wife, natives of England, were awakened this morning at 3 o'clock by neighbors shouting that their house was on fire. They man and his wife escaped in safety, but returned to rescue a grandchild who had been left behind. The door was open and the three were precipitated into the cellar, where they burned to death.

is some likelihood of another "go" taking place between them.

After Hilliard arose this morning he got the morning papers, and the account of his troubles published in the New York Journal seemed to arouse his wrath. There, in cold type, was Bingham's statement that he had landed on "Bob's" nose, drawing blood. Hilliard took this statement to heart, as he thought it reflected on his reputation as a boxer.

He determined to settle the question once and for ever as to which was the better man, and in order to carry out this plan he set down and wrote a formal challenge to Bingham to fight.

He must have been very angry, for in his haste he forgot two very important things. The first was that he violated all rules of etiquette by writing with a lead pencil, and the second was that he made himself amenable to the law by challenging another man to fight.

However, as soon as he had finished the challenge he sent it to Bingham. When the latter opened the note the first words that met his gaze formed a long uncomplimentary title that went near reproducing.

The title the went on to say that Bingham had made misstatements in the papers regarding the trouble between them; that he had evidently sold the articles to the papers and that if he thought he was a better man than the writer to come to his hotel, and they would settle the matter then and there.

When Bingham was asked regarding the challenge, he showed the Journal correspondent Hilliard's note.

"Of course, I shall pay no attention to it," he said, "but I shall not try to avoid him. He can't scare me with words, and although I do not claim to be a fighter, Hilliard feels proud that he is one, I shall always protect myself and my wife from any insults offered."

Higgins Confesses Judgment.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 19.—Ex-United States Senator Anthony Higgins has confessed judgment in favor of Willard Saulsbury, of this city, for \$8,000. No execution was issued. The judgment is said to have been due to the financial difficulties of the Golden Seaside Marine Company, of Quigley, Mass., of which the ex-Senator was president. Higgins, who is a resident of the mining country, and failure to realize also resulted in the assignment on Thursday of Quigley & Mullen, wholesale grocers here.

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